

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday October 25, 2020

Liturgical Year A



Mass Intentions

Saturday October 24

5:00pm + Frank, Gerry & John Faithful Sacristans

and Altarservers

(Requested by Suzanne Symsyk)

Sunday October 25

9:00am + John Gilbert

(Requested by Filomena De Santis)

11:00am + June Bertley (Requested by Bilodeau Family

For the People of St. Mary's Parish both Living & Deceased

Monday October 26 No Morning Mass

Tuesday October 27

9:00am Mary Velicevic

(Requested by Dewein Family)

Wednesday October 28

9:00am + Ann Bialik

(Requested by Son John)

Thursday October 29

9:00am + **Ron Smith**

(Requested by Smith Family)

Friday October 30

9:00am + Mathew Devasia Pendanathu

(Requested by Brenda & John Coleman)

Saturday October 31

5:00pm + Roghayeh Rezaei Smardar

(Requested by Samardar)

Sunday November 1

9:00am + John Gilbert

(Requested by B & C)

11:00am For the People of St. Mary's Parish both

Living & Deceased

Expand Your Neighborhood

The greatest commandment is clear: "You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart." The second greatest commandment is equally clear: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." What is not clear, perhaps, is what these commandments mean.

The juxtaposition of these two commandments, both chosen from the Hebrew Scriptures, would seem to clarify at least to some extent what it means to love God: one way we humans express our love for God is by loving our neighbor.

Today's liturgy attempts to clarify the matter of loving one's neighbor by another juxtaposition, preceding the Gospel with the passage from Exodus about treating justly the most vulnerable people in society.

The implication is that loving our neighbor means more than being kind to our friends and relatives, or to the person who lives next door. Loving one's neighbor means doing right by any widow or orphan: seeing that the hungry are fed and the homeless sheltered, that the poor have their basic needs met, that the unemployed do not suffer from want, that the young are educated and the old are cared for.

To do less is to fail in our love for neighbor. To do less is also to keep us from singing with joy: "I love you, Lord, my strength."

The commandments to love God with all one's heart and to love one's neighbor as oneself are the heart and soul of Christian morality. ... These commands point out the path toward true human fulfillment and happiness.

They are not arbitrary restrictions on human freedom. Only active love of God and neighbor makes the fullness of community happen. Christians look forward in hope to a true communion among all persons with each other and with God.

U.S. Bishops, Economic Justice for All: The Responsibilities of Social Living, 1986:63

Gerald Darring

Congratulations Confirmation Candidates

Saturday October 17, 2020 was a very special day for 32 Candidates as they celebrated their Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you Bishop Bergie for celebrating Confirmation with us and Father Stephen Bruzzuse for your assistance.

CWL News

Your membership is now due, you can place it in the basket marked CWL membership or drop it off at the Parish Office.

All Souls Envelopes

I have placed a few envelopes at the back of the Church and you can find one in your box of envelopes. If you are not attending live Mass at this time you can drop by the Office to pick one up or call and I will place one in the mailbox for you.

Carlo Acutis was Beatified

On October 10, 2020, Carlo Acutis was Beatified in Assisi Italy. What helped to make this ceremony so unique, was that both Carlo's parents and his brother and sister were present. The reason is that he was only fifteen years of age when he died from leukemia in 2006.

I believe that this modern day 'saint in the making', Blessed Carlo, can serve as an inspiration, especially to our young people who need good role models today. They should be able to identify with this young man who played video games, was comfortable using computers and surfing the internet. In many ways he seemed so ordinary; however, what he did was truly extraordinary. That is why he is in the process of becoming a saint.

Blessed Carlo Acutis said that his life plan was "to always be close to Jesus." He tried to do this throughout his short life. He had a strong devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and was often found praying before our Eucharistic Lord. This devotion became his inspiration to create a computer database of all the Eucharistic miracles from around the world. This led to the creation of a website that is world renowned.

He also loved the poor and those in need. When his funeral was celebrated in Milan, his family and friends were shocked to see the many homeless and poor attending. His family did not realize that for many years Carlo had been quietly helping those people.

The Church does not 'make' saints. She simply recognizes what is already present in such a holy life. This is a holy life that can really speak to our youth, especially regarding social media, the Eucharist and care of the poor and marginalized. Please help to make his life known to the young people of your parish. I have included a link to a brief article for your information.

https://www.ncregister.com/interview/why-carlo-acutis-is-important-today-he-is-a-millennial-a-young-man-who-brings-holiness-into-the-third-millennium



Reminder

Masks **MUST** be worn in Church at **ALL** times. The only time you take your mask off **briefly** is at Communion.

Bulletins

Bulletins are now being printed. You can pick up your bulletin at the back of the Church after Mass.

Special Collection Dates Rescheduled

Sunday, 1 November 2020:

C.C.O.D.P – Development & Peace

Envelopes will be provided at the back of the Church or you can use a plain white envelope with your name, envelope number and what the collection is for.

Wedding Anniversary 2020

Unfortunately due to the Pandemic there will be no Mass and Dinner for Special Anniversaries this year. If you wish to receive from Bishop Bergie a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60th+ anniversary in the year 2020. Please contact the Parish Office for a registration form. All forms are due in by November 13, 2020

Schedule of Ministries

	Saturday October 31 5:00pm	Sunday November 1 9:00am	Sunday November 1 11:00am
Screening at the Door Please be here 45 min before Mass	Cathy Jessome	Jean Hirlehey	Susan Coyne
Minister of the Word	Carmenmarie	Rosalie Bilodeau	Martin Coyne
Cleaners after Mass	Please to all who can help out grab a spray bottle at the back	Please to all who can help out grab a spray bottle at the back	Please to all who can help out grab a spray bottle at the back
Ministers of Hospitality Please be here 45 min before Mass	John Neely	Rick Hirlehey	Help Needed Call the office if you can help
Homebound	Not At This Time		
Nursing Homes	Not At This Time		
Please be here 15-20 min before the start of Mass to prepare			

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